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- Introduction
- Here to discuss the portion of SB 248, relating to fees and fee schedules
 - It's about care for catastrophically injured people
 - Other issues need to be considered
 - Cost of services for those covered by NFA vs. non NFA
 - Doctors
 - Tests and procedures
 - Physical and occupational therapies
 - Specialized equipment
 - Continuing education on top of the doctoral degree required in Michigan
 - One therapist to one patient for full treatment session
 - Proponent of reform, understand necessity of strong insurers, reasonable
 expectation to foresee/predict costs
 - Suggesting
 - Cap reimbursement rates at the current level for number of years
 with provisions for justifiable increases
 - Multiple fee schedules
 - Specific language to avoid lengthy appeal/arbitration, both of which will lead to significant job losses and/or insolvency of providers
 - Consequences of pending language
 - Providers will
 - Move to 1 therapist to 3 patients per session
 - Lose the ability to acquire/utilize specialized equipment
 - Cut staff up to 60%
 - Cease to exist

• Resulting in:

- Proper and reasonable care and services necessary for even a nominal quality of life for the affected individuals will be lost. Proper therapeutic services return individuals to society, education and the workforce. Without services:
 - Individuals will not be cared for at home, ending up in Medicaid funded nursing homes
 - Increased hospitalization
- Statewide job losses in healthcare